

REMARKS

Claims 1-45 are pending in the present application. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

I. 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1-45 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. Namely that the step of "providing a library of keywords and punctuation definitions that identify the beginning or end of a phrase" was not supported. In the previous response, Applicant had inadvertently directed the Examiner to the wrong place in the application for support. Proper support is found at p. 4, l. 30-32.

The Examiner also objected to the step of "repeating steps c-d until all the text input has been analyzed". As worded, the method would continue to repeat the same first plurality of words. Accordingly Examiner Ludwig and Applicant discussed suitable language and agreed that Claim 1 and the other independent claims should be amended to delete "first" and specify repeating steps c-d "for a next plurality or words" until all of the text input has been analyzed. Claim 1 and the other independent claims to which the objection is relevant have been so amended.

The rejections are respectfully traversed.

II. Drawings

The drawings were also objected to as failing to show a library of keywords and punctuation definitions that identify the beginning or end of a phrase. Figure 1 shows a library 25, which in conjunction with the text found at p. 4, l. 30-32 should provide adequate support. Applicant asks that the objection to the drawings be withdrawn.

III. 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 1-45 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Walker, USPN 6,279,017 and as being unpatentable over Walker in view of Truelson, USPN 6,223,191. The office action issued on November 16, 2005 did not address the substantive amendments to the claims or arguments presented but rather focused on the section 112 objections.

During a teleconference December 12, 2005 with Examiners Matthew Ludwig and Stephen Hong, Examiner Ludwig indicated that the claims as amended on August 16, 2005 and in view of the arguments over Walker and Truelson, provided the claims were amended to overcome the section 112 objections, defined allowable subject matter over the cited art.

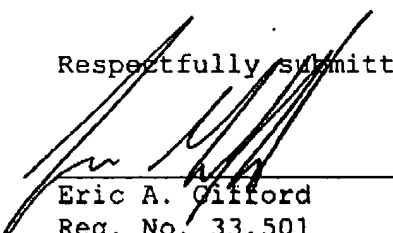
Accordingly, the rejection of claims 1-45 are respectfully traversed.

Conclusion

It is respectfully urged that the subject application is patentable over the cited references and is now in condition for allowance.

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below listed telephone number if, in the opinion of the Examiner, such a telephone conference would expedite or aid the prosecution and examination of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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